



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 2054

A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the state of Vermont

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on May 24, 2006*

S. 2054 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in Vermont. The study, to be completed within two years of the bill's enactment, would include a survey of groundwater supplies available to municipalities. Based on the cost of similar studies, CBO estimates that carrying out the proposed study would cost the U.S. Geological Survey about \$6 million over the next few years, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. Enacting S. 2054 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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